

MEMORANDUM

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Agenda Item No. **2 (C)**

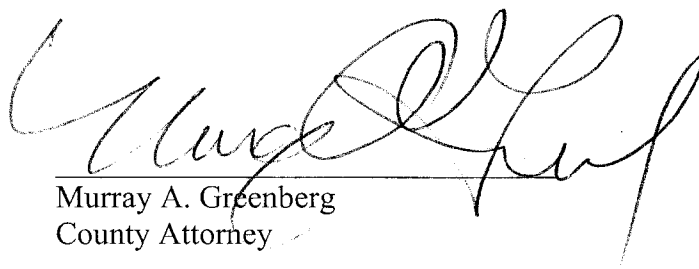
TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: **February 15, 2006**

FROM: Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution urging U.S.
Dept. of Homeland Security
to preserve Temporary
Protective Status for
illegal migrants

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson.



Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

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MEMORANDUM

(Revised)

TO: Honorable Chairman Joe A. Martinez
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: March 7, 2006

FROM: Murray A. Greenberg
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Agenda Item No.

Please note any items checked.

- _____ "4-Day Rule" ("3-Day Rule" for committees) applicable if raised
- _____ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- _____ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- _____ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- _____ Budget required
- _____ Statement of fiscal impact required
- _____ Bid waiver requiring County Manager's written recommendation
- _____ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Manager's report for public hearing
- _____ Housekeeping item (no policy decision required)
- _____ No committee review

Approved _____ Mayor

Veto _____

Override _____

Agenda Item No.

3-7-06

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION URGING THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HOMELAND SECURITY TO PRESERVE TEMPORARY
PROTECTIVE STATUS FOR ILLEGAL MIGRANTS FROM EL
SALVADOR, HONDURAS AND NICARAGUA

WHEREAS, Temporary Protective Status is a special immigration status that prohibits the deportation of illegal immigrants if wars or natural disasters make it difficult for them to return home; and

WHEREAS, Temporary Protective Status was approved in 1998 for Hondurans and Nicaraguans after their countries were struck by Hurricane Mitch, and for Salvadorans in 2001 after earthquakes killed more than 1,000 people and destroyed more than 200,000 homes in El Salvador; and

WHEREAS, renewals of Temporary Protective Status have been routinely granted in recent years to Hondurans, Nicaraguans and Salvadorans; and

WHEREAS, an estimated 300,000 Honduran, Nicaraguan and Salvadoran migrants are currently in the U.S. under Temporary Protective Status, many in South Florida; and

WHEREAS, these three poor countries rely heavily on support sent back from migrants working in the U.S. to their native countries; and

WHEREAS, the Bush Administration has recently signaled that it may soon end Temporary Protective Status for Honduran, Nicaraguan and Salvadoran migrants,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Urges the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to preserve Temporary Protective Status for illegal migrants from El Salvador, Honduras, and Nicaragua.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Secretary of Homeland Security and the members of the Miami-Dade County Congressional Delegation.

The foregoing resolution was sponsored by Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson and offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Joe A. Martinez, Chairman	
Dennis C. Moss, Vice-Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Jose "Pepe" Diaz
Audrey M. Edmonson	Carlos A. Gimenez
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dorin D. Rolle	Natacha Seijas
Katy Sorenson	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	

The Chairman thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 7th day of March, 2006. This resolution shall become effective ten (10) days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

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Jess M. McCarty

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